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See list at
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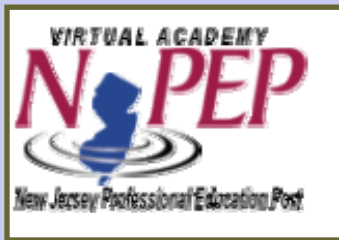
1. NJPEP has added a new feature: **NJPEP_PDonline**. Now NJPEP can provide a way for professional development hours to be earned fully online.
 - a. We are currently offering class sessions in how to be an online instructor (30 PDH). Currently, we are looking for **ELL and early literacy** (especially with deep knowledge of comprehension, fluency, phonemic awareness and phonics) **instructors**.
 - b. Soon, we'll offer ELL in the Mainstream as an online course (15 PDH). Get ready to sign up! Stay tuned for early literacy and middle school math course session times.
 - c. This year is a pilot year: **all courses are free**.
 - d. Check NJPEP's front page (on the right-hand side under NJPEP PD) regularly for FAQs, updated course information and qualifications for instructors.
 - e. Contact Maria Mendez at PDonline@doe.state.nj.us for information.
2. **NJPEP has a new calendar!** Go to the right-hand side of NJPEP's home page. See the workshops that NJPEP is giving in districts and conferences. Use the top arrow to scroll from month to month. **Would your district like to join with another?** Just call the district contact person listed! Let's be collaborative and cost-effective!
3. Check out information regarding **professional development opportunities and workshops** in the new box (on the right-hand side) on NJPEP's home page.
<http://www.njpep.org/index.html>

Professional Development Opportunities

1. Add New Jersey teachers' lessons to expand your class work. The **SCENE projects** are developed by **award-winning New Jersey teachers in collaboration with a colleague**.
<http://www.njpep.org/classroom/index.html>
2. The **New Jersey Historical Society** has a new listing of fall workshops. Contact Margaret Renn, mrenn@jerseyhistory.org, 973-596-8500, x 236
4. Brush up on your **K-3 literacy skills** by viewing experts and New Jersey classroom teachers
<http://www.njpep.org/pd/rfpd/index.html>
5. **Project U.S.E.** offers workshops from one hour to one day to multi-day experiences in classrooms and conference centers to rivers and high ropes courses. Call Greg Powell at 732-219-7300. See <http://www.projectuse.org/index.htm>
6. For more **educator opportunities**, go to <http://www.njpep.org/workshops/opps/index.html> and for **student opportunities** go to: http://www.njpep.org/parents_students/index.html.
7. **New teachers! Mentors!** Go to NJPEP's Professional Development page for essential resources.

Stay Tuned

1. Districts have been busy this summer implementing Year Two of the pilot **LEADS (Literacy is Essential to Adolescent Development and Success)** program. You should see the projects students created, and how well they are reading! NJPEP has been capturing video of teachers and students. Stay tuned for another professional development opportunity!



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New Jersey Core Curriculum Content Standards Web site:

<http://www.nj.gov/njded/aps/cccs/>

Contact Information for Core Curriculum Content Standards:

<http://www.nj.gov/njded/aps/contact.htm>

Professional Standards Web site:

<http://www.nj.gov/njded/profdev/>

Contact Information for Professional Standards:

<http://www.nj.gov/njded/profdev/contact.shtml>

Evaluation and Assessment Web site:

<http://www.nj.gov/njded/assessment/>

Contact Information for Evaluation and Assessment:

<http://www.nj.gov/njded/assessment/contact.shtml>

See Abbott information:

<http://www.nj.gov/njded/abbotts/>

Parents and Students

1. **Back to School-** Ideas, articles, tips and more from About.com.
<http://backtoschool.about.com/>
2. **SAT is coming in October!** (Register by September 12, 2006.) There are many free practice sites on the Internet – we don't recommend any – just try them out. See also
http://www.njpep.org/parents_students/index.html
3. **Autumn Leaf Color: Why Do Leaves Change Color in the Fall?** - Facts, word puzzles and projects related to this topic. (from Science Made Simple)
<http://www.sciencemadesimple.com/leaves.html>
4. **Math-O** - A Bingo game parents can create and use with their children to brush up on math skills. (from FamilyFun.com)
<http://familyfun.go.com/arts-and-crafts/season/feature/famf89school/famf89school9.html>

Classroom Resources for September

1. **Looking for advanced materials for high school students?** Check out **Real World Learning Objects for Language Arts Literacy, Mathematics and Science**. These are in development at Stevens Institute (in the The Center for Innovation in Engineering and Science Education, CIESE). http://www.k12science.org/highered_curr.html
2. **Visit the SeaWorld/Busch Gardens Animal Sounds Library!** Press "listen" to hear an animal sound. Click on an animal name to learn more about that animal.
<http://www.buschgardens.org/animal-info/sound-library/index.htm>
3. **Class Autobiographies** - The classroom teacher and students put together a book with information about themselves. This book is presented to the student teacher as a way to familiarize her with the class.
<http://www.theteacherscorner.net/seasonal/back-to-school/autobiography.htm>
4. **National Geographic Xpeditions** - Xpeditions is home to the U.S. National Geography Standards—and to thousands of ideas, tools, and interactive adventures that bring them to life. You can find lesson plans, activities, maps, and more. Grades K-12.
<http://www.nationalgeographic.com/xpeditions/>
5. **Autumn Leaf Color: Why Do Leaves Change Color in the Fall?** - Facts, word puzzles and projects related to this topic. (from Science Made Simple)
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6. **Illuminations** - Math activities and lessons for Grades K-12.
<http://illuminations.nctm.org/>
7. **Concepts Across the Curriculum** - Each month PBS TeacherSource highlights a new interdisciplinary topic in its feature called "Concepts Across the Curriculum." You'll find activities, online resources and PBS television programs related to the monthly topic.
<http://www.pbs.org/teachersource/thismonth/index.shtml>

